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In re Patent Application of: DENDY

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For: INTEGRATED ACCESS DEVICE RESIDENT MECHANISM FOR

AUTOMATICALLY ROUTING CALL TO) SPECIFIED NUMBER UPON OFF HOOK)

SIGNALING EVENT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the patent application on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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The DOO mechanism of the invention also has application to generic channel banks employing private line automatic ring-down (PLAR) mode, that allows two phones to be connected, with one phone ringing when the other goes off hook. This requires two channel banks connected by a T1 link. With the DOO mechanism of the invention, the call can be switched within the IAD, without the need for number dialing by the user, and another phone ring connected to the same IAD.